GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2063
ANSWERED ON:08.03.2000
ICCR ACTIVITIES
BASUDEB ACHARIA

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the research and extension activities taken up by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) during each of the last three years ;

(b) the details of groups sponsored / deputed by ICCR for art, culture and other activities during the above period indicating country, specific occasion period and type of programmes;

(c) the details of artists or groups from the North Eastern Region who were sponsored/ deputed for such occasions;

(d) whether the Government propose to include traditional art and cultural groups from North-Eastern region in future;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) does not conduct `research and extension activities`.

(b) The particulars of cultural groups sponsored / deputed by the ICCR for performancesabroad during the last three years are enclosed at Annexure `A`.

(c) List of artistes and groups from the North-Eastern Region sponsored / deputed by the ICCR is enclosed at Annexure `B`.

(d)&(e)The ICCR has been sponsoring traditional art and cultural groups from the North-Eastern Region and will continue to do so. Details of groups to be sponsored / deputed abroad in the next financial year are yet to be decided by the Council.

(f) Does not arise.

ANNEXURE `A` CONTINUED
INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS OUTGOING CULTURAL DELEGATIONS 1998-99

Sl. No.	COUNTRY	NAME OF THE GROUP	PERIOD	PARTICULARS OF VISIT
1.	USA	SH. M.S. SHASHANK (CARNATIC FLUTE) X 4	23RD MARCH TO 14TH APRIL, 98	TO PERFORM AT THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND AT THE GETTY HALL IN LOS ANGELES
2.	NORTH KOREA	MS.PADMINI ROY (POP GROUP) X 9	10-18TH APRIL, 98	TO PARTICIPATE IN APRIL SPRING FESTIVAL IN PYONG YANG.
3-5.	BRAZIL	CULTURAL GROUPS 1. PT. HARI PRASAD CHAURASIA X 5 (FLUTE),	1-20TH MAY, 98	TO PERFORM AT THE FESTIVAL OF INDIA
		MUMBAI		

2. MS. MALAVIKA SARUKKAI(BHARATANATYAM) X 6, CHENNAI

3. MS. KUMUDINI LAKHIA (KATHAK) X 16

TG :- TRAVEL GRANT

6. USA/ GERMANY — SHRI ATUL DESAI (HINDUSTANI VOCAL) X 3 AHMEDABAD — 1ST MAY TO 30TH AUG — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

7. GERMANY / USA / UAE — GUNDECHA BANDHU (DHRUPAD) X 4 MUMBAI — 8TH MAY TO 30TH JUNE, 1998 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT THE INVITATION OF INDO-GERMAN SOCIETIES

8. GREECE — SHRI HEMANT CHAUHAN (FOLK SINGER) X 6 AHMEDABAD — 14-26TH MAY, 98 — TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INDIA VISION 98

9-10 JAPAN / PHILIPPINES / HONG KONG / SINGAPORE — MS. MALAVIKA SARUKKAI (BHARATANATYAM) X 6 CHENNAI / USTAD SHAMIM AHMED KHAN (SITAR) X 3, MUMBAI — 15TH MAY TO 2ND JUNE, 1998 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES ORGANISED BY MIN-ON CONCERTS IN JAPAN AND CHAIN TOUR OF THE REGION

11. BARBADOS / SURINAM / TRINIDAD & TOBAGO — FOLK SINGER OF SMT. DEEP MALA MOHAN 1998 (BHOJPURI FOLK SINGER) X 4, NEW DELHI — 15TH MAY TO 14TH JUNE, TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

TG : TRAVEL GRANT

12. MOROCCO / UAE / HUNGARY / FRANCE — PROF. DEBU CHAUDHURY (SITAR) X 4, DELHI 1998 — 23RD MAY TO 15TH JUNE, TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT THE SACRED MUSIC FESTIVAL IN THE CITY OF FES, MOROCCO AND CHAIN TOUR OF THE REGION.

13. SINGAPORE — PANCHAVADYAM AND THYAMBAKA PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE X 10, KERALA — 30TH MAY TO 4TH JUNE, TO GIVE PERFORMANCES IN THE SINGAPORE ARTS FESTIVAL 1998

14. FRANCE — SMT. GANGUBAI HANGAL (HINDUSTANI VOCAL) X 5 HUBLI, KARNATAKA — 1-12TH JUNE, 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT UNESCO, PARIS ON INVITATION

15. USA — SHRI VEMPATI CHINA SATYAM KUCHIPUDI ARTS 1998 — 3RD JUNE TO 29TH SEPT. TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

ACADEMY X 10 CHENNAI

16. U.K. FEROZ KHAN`S THEATRE 8TH JUNE 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
`MAHATMA VERSUS GANDHI`, THE BLOOMBERRY THEATRE AT
MUMBAI THE INVITATION OF
INDIAN HIGH COMMISSION

TG :- TRAVEL GRANT

17-19. BANGLADESH 1. MS. KUM KUM DHAR 9-16TH JUNE, 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(KATHAK) X 5, LUCKNOW

2. PT. VISHWA MOHAN 15-21ST JUNE, 98
BHATT (MOHAN VEENA) X
4, JAIPUR

3. MS. MALINI RAJURKAR 21-27TH JUNE, 98
(HINDUSTANI VOCAL) X
5, HYDERABAD

20. SINGAPORE SHRI O.S. ARUN 9-22ND JUNE 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES IN
(CARNATIC VOCAL) X SINGAPORE ARTS FESTIVAL
5, CHENNAI

21. UK SHRI ANAND SHANKAR & JUNE ` 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
SHRI GOPAL MISHRA, INDO BRITISH MUSIC PROJECT
CALCUTTA

22. BRUNEI MS. NEELIMA AZEEEM AND JUNE `98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
PANDIT RAM MOHAN MISHRA

23. USA 7-MEMBER RAJASTHANI FOLK 25-28TH JUNE 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
DANCE & MUSIC GROUP OF BOISE RIVER FESTIVAL
SHRI NIZAMMUDIN LANGA, IN THE STATE OF IDAHO
DELHI & ONE CRAFTSMAN,
SHRI JAFAR ALI (BROCADE
WEAVER)

24. FRANCE 5-MEMBER PUPPET GROUP 28TH JUNE TO TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
BHARTIYA LOK KALA MANDAL 5TH JULY, 98 THE INVITATION OF THEATRE
FROM UDAIPUR EN TETE IN THE FESTIVAL
`SUR L`air de L`INDE
PARIS`

25. PORTUGAL DANCERS GUILD X 16 JULY` 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
HUNGARY LED BY MANJU SH.CHAKI WORLD EXPO `98 AND
DENMARK SIRCAR, CALCUTTA THEREAFTER TO TOUR THE
REGION

26. PORTUGAL SHRI BUDDHADEV JULY ` 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
DASGUPTA (SAROD) X WORLD EXPO `98
3, CALCUTTA

27. PORTUGAL PUNG CHOLAM & DHOL JULY ` 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
DENMARK CHOLAM X 10, MANIPUR WORLD EXPO `98 AND
HUNGARY THEREAFTER TO TOUR
ITALY THE REGION

28. PORTUGAL RANG BAHAR X 14 JULY ` 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE

HUNGARY GERMANY	FOLK DANCE GROUP GUJARAT THE REGION	WORLD EXPO `98 AND THEREAFTER	TO TOUR

29. SWITZERLAND — ARYA VAIDYA SALA 8-14TH JULY 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
KOTTAKKAL MAPAPURAM
X 10 (KATHAKALI)
DIST. KERALA

30. SOUTH AFRICA — HARVINDER SINGH BAJWA, 10TH JULY TO — TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
ZIMBABWE (BHANGRA & GIDDHA) X — 10TH AUG. 98 — HERITAGE FESTIVAL IN
BOTSWANA 16 , LUDHIANA, PUNJAB — DURBAN
TANZANIA

31. VIETNAM — MS. LEELA SAMSON — 14TH JULY — TO — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
LAOS (BHARATANATYAM) X — 10TH AUGUST 98
COMBODIA 7, NEW DELHI
MALAYSIA
SINGAPORE
INDONESIA

32. SUDAN — SHRI JAFAR HUSSAIN — 14TH JULY TO 10TH — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
JORDAN (QAWWALI) X 9 BADYAUN AUGUST 98
SAUDI ARABIA
KENYA
TANZANIA
UAE

33. PALESTINE — 13-MEMBER CONTEMPORARY DANCE TROUPE `BHOOMIKA` LED BY PT. NARENDRA SHARMA, NEW DELHI — 17-20TH JULY, 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT THE 6TH PALESTINE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

34. BANGLADESH — MS. USHA GANGULI (THEATRE) X 25 CALCUTTA — 20-30TH JULY 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

35. ETHIOPIA — SHRI JOHAR ALI — 24-28 JULY, 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
DJIBOUTI (VIOLIN) X 3

36. USA — 8-MEMBER GROUP OF PROF. RUDHRAPRASAD SENGUPTA, CALCUTTA — NANDIKAR — 29TH JULY TO AUG. 98 — 25TH — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES & JOINT PRODUCTION OF THE PLAY GOTRAHEEN AT THE NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL FRIBERG FESTIVAL

37. QATAR — NINA & RAJINDER MEHTA (LIGHT CLASSICAL), MUMBAI — 2-15TH AUG.1998 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
UAE

38. MADAGASCAR — SHRI PARTHO BOSE (SITAR PLAYER) CALCUTTA — 9-17TH AUG. 98 — FOR JUGALBANDI PERFORMANCES
MAURITIUS

39. MALDIVES — DUMMY HORSE FOLK DANCE GROUP X 14, CHENNAI, TAMIL NADU — 11-18TH AUGUST, 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

40. NEPAL — FOLK DANCE & MUSIC GROUP (SONG & DRAMA DIVISION) X 25, NEW DELHI — 11-18TH AUGUST, 98 — TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

41-42. IRAQ SH.DEEPAK CHAUDHURY 11-18TH AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
JORDAN (SITAR) X 3, CALUTTA
MS. PRERANA SHRIMALI,
(KATHAK) X 5, DELHI

43. THAILAND SINGHAJEET SINGH & 11-19TH AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
CHARU MATHUR,
(MANIPUR DANCE) X
14, NEW DELHI

44. NORWAY MS. KALA RAMNATAH 12-22ND AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
DENMARK (HINDUSTANI VIOLIN)
ITALY X 3 MUMBAI
GERMANY

45. BHUTAN MS. USHA UTHUP 12-24TH AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(POP SINGER) X 11,
CALCUTTA

46. ITALY MS. UMA SHARMA 12-24TH AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
UK (KATHAK) X 6, DELHI
NETHERLANDS
GERMANY

47. SEYCHELLES HENGERABARI ASOM KALA 13-23RD AUG. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
REUNION ISLANDS KENDRA, (BIHU GROUP)
SOUTH AFRICA X 14, GUWAHATI ASSAM

48. AUSTRALIA SH. T.V. GOPALKRISHNAN, 14-24TH AUGUST, 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE)
X 6, CHENNAI

49. USA MS. PRABHA ATRE, 14TH AUG. 30TH NOV. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(HINDUSTANI VOCAL)
X 3, MUMBAI

50. SRI LANKA 20-MEMBER BOMBAY 15TH AUG. 98 TO PRESENT JOINT CONCERT
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA WITH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
OF SRI LANKA

51. IRAQ `RANGALA` (BHANGRA 26TH AUG.-12TH SEP.98 TO PARTICIPATE IN BABYLON
SYRIA AND GIDDHA) X 12 INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL
TURKEY LUDHIANA, PUNJAB IN IRAQ, BASRAH FESTIVAL
AZERBAIJAN IN SYRIA AND IZMIR FOLK
DANCE FESTIVAL IN TURKEY

52. USA SMT. PUSHPA BHUYAN 29TH JULY-29TH AUG.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
(SATTRIYA DANCE) THE INVITATION OF THE
X 4, GUWAHATI INDIAN-FORUM UTAH (IFU),
SALT LAKE. THE PROPOSAL
WAS ORIGINALLY APPROVED
BY THE FORMER PRESIDENT,
ICCR. VISIT COULD NOT
TAKE PLACE EARLIER DUE
TO ILLNESS OF MS. BHUYAN

53. AUSTRALIA MS. SWAPANA SUNDARI, 7TH AUGUST, 98 TO TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
INDONESIA (KUCHIPUDI) X 5, 13TH SEPT. 98
MALAYSIA NEW DELHI
HONG KONG

JAPAN
SINGAPORE
SOUTH KOREA

54. NIGERIA MS. ARUNA MOHANTY 7TH SEPT-15TH OCT. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
IVORY COAST (ODISSI) X 5 BHUBNESWAR
CAMEROON
SPAIN, FRANCE
GERMANY

55. NIGERIA SHRI M.N. RAO (SITAR) 7TH- 30TH SEPT. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
IVORY COAST X 3, BANGALORE
CAMEROON
SPAIN
FRANCE

56. POLAND MS. VASUDHARA 9-14 SEPT 1998 TO GIVE CULTURAL PERFORAMANCES
CZECH REPUBLIC DORASWAMY (BHARATANATYAM)
X 5, BANGALORE

57-59. USA SHRI ULHAS KALSHALKAR 15TH SEPT-1ST NOV. 98 REQUEST FROM DR. B.N.
(VOCAL) DIXIT FOR INDIAN MUSIC
SHRI PARTHA SARTHY CONCERTS ARRANGED BY
(SAROD) CENTRE FOR THE
SHRI SHUBHENDRA RAO PERFORMING ARTS OF INDIA
(SITAR)

60. USA SHRI K.J. YESUDAS 16TH SEPT-30TH SEPT 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
& SMT SUDHA RAGHUNATHAN, THE INVITATION OF
(CARNATIC VOCAL) BHARTIYA VIDYA BHAVAN,
X 7 CHENNAI USA

61. UK, FRANCE SMT. SHANNO KHURANA 22ND SEPT-20TH OCT.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
AUSTRIA (HINDUSTANI VOCAL) X 5
NEW DELHI

62. MALAYSIA MS. GURMEET BAWA 11-29 SEPT. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(BHANGRA & GIDDA DURING COMMONWEALTH GAMES
GROUP) X 18

63. FRANCE PROF.GORA SARBADHAKARY, 28TH SEPT.-7TH OCT 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(RABINDRA SANGEET)
VISHWABHARTI, CALCUTTA

64-65. RUSSIA PT. LAXMAN KRISHNA 29TH SEPT-6TH OCT.98 TO GIVE LECTURE
RAO PANDIT, (HINDUSTANI DEMONSTRAION
VOCAL) X 2, NEW DELHI AND PERFORMANCES
SHRI SUNIL MUKHERJEE
(SAROD), NEW DELHI

66-67. TURKEY MS. VIJYALAKSHMI 2-21ST OCT. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
KUWAIT (MOHINIATTAM) X 6
QATAR MS. VANDANA KAUL
OMAN (KATHAK) X 5
UAE

68. MEXICO SHRI ASTAD DEBOO 9-27TH OCT. 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN
VENEZUELA (CONTEMPORARY DANCE) CERVANTINO FESTIVAL,
ARGENTINA X 8, MUMBAI MEXICO AND CHAIN
CUBA TOUR OF THE REGION

69. NETHERLANDS MS. MAHIMA CASEWA 9-21ST OCT. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
UK (LIGHT CLASSICAL) X
GERMANY 4 NEW DELHI
DENMARK

70. GERMANY YAKSHAGANA GROUP OF 16TH OCT-26TH NOV 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
UK LATE SHRI SHIVA RAM THE INVITATION OF INDO
SWEDEN KARANTH X 14, KARNATAKA GERMAN SOCIETIES

71. AUSTRIA SH.SANJOY BANDOPADHYAY 23RD OCT-20TH NOV.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
FRANCE (SITAR) X 3 KHAIRAGARH, MP THE REQUEST OF AUSTRIA-
INDIA ASSOCIATION

72. FRANCE MS.SULOCHANA BRAHASPATI 23RD OCT-30TH NOV.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
UK (HINDUSTANI VOCAL)
X 5 NEW DELHI

73. BELGIUM MS. SHOBHNA RAO 23RD OCT-20TH NOV.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
DENMARK (LIGHT CLASSICAL) X 5
FRANCE
GERMANY

74. FRANCE SH.M.V.NARASHIMHACHARI 30TH OCT.-15TH DEC.98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
GERMAY (BHARATANATYAM) THE INVITATION OF
BELGIUM X 3 CHENNAI `TRIVENI`

75. PHILIPPINES 5 AIR TICKETS TO 8-15TH NOV. 98 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
PARANJOTI ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL CHORUS
CHORUS GROUP, MUMBAI FESTIVAL

76. SRI LANKA MS. JYOTI SRIVASTAVA, 12-19TH NOV. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES IN
ODISSI DANCER X 5 THE DANCE FESTIVAL AND
NEW DELHI GIVE LECTURE
DEMONSTRATION

77. FRANCE USTAD IMRAT KHAN 15-18TH NOV. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES IN
(SITAR) X 2 CONNECTION WITH THE
ST. LOUIS, USA UNESCO MADANJEET SINGH PRIZE

78. FRANCE MS. GEETANJALI LAL 19-30TH NOV. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT
NETHERLANDS (KATHAK) X 5 NEW DELHI THE INVITATION OF
CROATIA `MANDAPA` IN PARIS

79. CANADA SHRI MAZHAR ALI 8-20 DEC., 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT THE
KHAN/JAVAD ALI KHAN INVITATION OF USTAD BADE
(VOCAL) X 3 GHULAM ALI KHAN MUSIC
ACADEMY OF TORONTO

80. THAILAND KARGAM GROUP X 20 7-13TH DEC. 98 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES ON
(FOLK DANCE GROUP), THE OCCASION OF THE
TAMIL NADU ASIAN GAMES

81-82. SRI LANKA (MS. RAMA VAIDYANATHAN 10-22 DEC 1998 TO GIVE LECTURE
(BHARATNATYAM) X 4 DEMONSTRATION / CONDUCT
NEW DELHI WORKSHOP AND GIVE
MS. CHARUMATI PERFORMANCES
RAMACHANDRAN
(CARNATIC VOCAL)

83. THAILAND MS. RINA JANA (ODISSI) 13-25 JAN. 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AND
X 5, BHUBNESWAR LECTURE DEMONSTRATION

84. SOUTH AFRICA USTAD ASLAM SABRI 20TH JAN-23RD FEB 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCE
ZIMBABWE (QAWWALI) X 6,NEW DELHI
MOZAMBIQUE
ZAMBIA
BOTSWANA

85. UAE SAMANVAY FOLK DANCE 21ST JAN-11TH FEB 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
OMAN GROUP FROM GUJARAT X 18
QATAR

86. MALAYSIA MS. MADHAVI MUDGAL 24TH JAN-12TH FEB 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
SINGAPORE (ODISSI) X 7 NEW DELHI AND LECTURE DEMONSTRATION
INDONESIA INTERACTION WITH DANCERS
AND VISIT DANCE
INSTITUTIONS

87-88. GERMANY MS. DEEPTI OMCHERRY 25TH JAN-22ND FEB 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
BOSNIA BHALLA (MOHINIATTAM)
DENMARK X 5 AND USTAD ALLAUDDIN
ITALY KHAN (ESRAJ PLAYER) X 3

89. SOUTH AFRICA SMT. MANI KRISHNASWAMI 27 JAN-20TH FEB. 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
ZAMBIA (CARNATIC VOCAL) X 6,
BOTSWANA CHENNAI

90. SRI LANKA MS. REKHA SURYA 6-13TH FEB 1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(LIGHT CLASSICAL) X 5,
NEW DELHI

91-92. NEPAL MS. PRATIBHA PRAHLAD 3 - 7TH FEB 1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(BHARATANATYAM) X 6,
BANGALORE
MS. ALARMEL VALLI 14-17TH FEB 1999
(BHARATANATYAM) X 6,
CHENNAI

93. BANGLADESH MS. RANJABOTI SIRCAR 16-19 FEB 1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(CONTEMPORARY DANCE)
X 5, CHENNAI

94. SWEDEN MS. SHOVANA NARAYAN 17 FEB - 7 MARCH 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES,
NETHERLANDS (KATHAK) X 5 NEW DELHI LECTURE DEMONSTRATION
POLAND AND CONDUCT WORKSHOPS
BELGIUM
GERMANY

95. AUSTRALIA THEATRE GROUP OF MS. 20 FEB-12TH MARCH 99 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
NEELAM MANSINGH FESTIVAL OF PERTH AND
CHOUDHARY X 21, CANBERRA MULTICULTURAL
CHANDIGARH FESTIVAL IN CANBERRA

96-101 BANGLADESH SHRI RATAN THIYAM 7-12TH MARCH 1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(THEATRE) X 30, IMPHAL DURING THE `INDIA
TRADE EXHIBITION`
ORGANISED BY ITPO IN
MS. PADMA TALWALKAR 9-12TH MARCH 1999 ASSOCIATION WITH HCI,
(VOCAL) X 3, MUMBAI DHAKA

MS. SANGEETA DAS 10-14TH MARCH 1999
(ODISSI) X 5,
BHUBANESHWAR

MS. KUMUDINI LAKHIA 11-17TH MARCH 1999
(KATHAK) X 16,
AHMEDABAD

PT. SHIV KUMAR SHARMA 12-17TH MARCH 1999
(SANTOOR) X 4, MUMBAI

KOHINOOR LANGA (FOLK) 13-18TH MARCH 1999
X 10, JODHPUR

102. KENYA MS. ANJANA CHOPRA, 11-31ST MARCH 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
UGANDA (LIGHT CLASSICAL) X
TANZANIA 5 NEW DELHI
ZAMBIA

103. NEW ZEALAND 15-MEMBER FOLK GROUP 14 MARCH - 7 APRIL 99 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
AUSTRALIA OF SHRI BHAGWAN SAHU FESTIVAL `ASIA 2000`
(ORISSA) NEW DELHI

104 USA SHRI PARAMESHWAR HEGDE MARCH/APRIL 1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
(HINDUSTANI VOCAL) X 3,
BANGALORE

105. SRI LANKA A. KATHAKALI GROUP X 25-31ST MARCH. 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
14 (MARGI KATHAKALI)
TRIVANDRUM

106. SOUTH AFRICA MS. MEENU THAKUR 25 MARCH - 20 APRIL 99 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
ZAMBIA (KUCHIPUDI) X 5
REUNION ISLANDS NEW DELHI
MAURITIUS

ANNEXURE `B`
INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS OUTGOING CULTURAL DELEGATIONS GROUPS SPONSORED ABROAD FROM NORTH-EAST REGION 1996-97

S.No. COUNTRY NAME OF THE GROUP PERIOD PARTICULARS OF VISIT

1. SINGAPORE MASK DANCE GROUP X 12, GANGTOK 26-30 MAY,1996 TO GIVE PERFORMANCE AT
INAUGURATION OF SINGAPORE

ARTS FESTIVAL.

2. SRI-LANKA 12-MEMBER PUNG CHOLAM AND DHOL CHOLAM GROUP, IMPHAL — 14-18 AUG,1996 TO PERFORM IN THE `SAARC DRUMMING AND DANCE FESTIVAL`.

3. RUSSIA BIHU-12, GUWAHATI — 16-28 SEP,1996 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES DURING THE `DAYS OF INDIAN CULTURE` IN RUSSIA

4. VIETNAM PUNG CHOLAM (DRUMS OF MANIPUR) X 6, IMPHAL — 7-17 OCT,1996 TO PARTICIPATE `DAYS OF INDIAN CULTURE`IN VIETNAM

5-6 BANGLADESH PUNG AND DHOL CHOLAM X 10, IMPHAL & SNOW, YAK, LION DANCE X 10, GANGTOK — 18-30 NOV,1996 UTSAV-THE INDIA FESTIVAL

1997-98

1. MAURITIUS PUNG CHOLAM AND DHOL CHOLAM REUNION ISLANDS GROUP (JAGOI MARUP GROUP) X 9, IMPHAL — 1-14 JULY, 1997 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES ON THE OCCASION OF `MADE IN INDIA SHOW` BEING ORGANISED BY CONFEDERATION OF INDIAN INDUSTRIES

2. SRI-LANKA UTTAR PRIYADARSHI BY CHORUS REPERTORY THEATRE OF SHRI RATTAN THIYAM X 28, IMPHAL — 11-19 AUG,1997 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

3. CANADA TRAVEL GRANT TO MS. H. VIJAYANTIMALA DEVI, MANIPURI — 12-19 AUG,1997 REQUEST FROM MISSION FOR PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL MULTIMEDIA DANCE THEATRE PRODUCTION, `MUKTINAD`.

4. U.K. SHRI LOKENDRA ARAMBAM THEATRE GROUP X 5, IMPHAL — 7-27 AUG,1997 TO PRESENT A JOINT PRODUCTION `MACBETH` WITH WATERMAN IC. LONDON

5-6. SOUTH AFRICA ZAMBIA LESOTHO VASANT RASS & PUNG CHOLAM GROUP X 15, IMPHAL — 15-30 AUG,1997 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

7 KAZAKHSTAN MS. AIMONI GAGOI (BIHU GROUP) X 11, GUWAHATI — 3-9 SEP,1997 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE `DAYS OF INDIAN CULTURE`

1998-99

1. PORTUGAL DENMARK HUNGARY ITALY PUNG CHOLAM & DHOL CHOLAM X 10, IMPHAL — JULY, 1998 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLD EXPO `98 AND THEREAFTER TO TOUR THE REGION

2. SEYCHELLES REUNION ISLANDS SOUTH AFRICA HENGERABARI ASOM KALA KENDRA, (BIHU GROUP) X 14, GUWAHATI — 13-23 AUG,1998 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES

3. USA SMT. PUSHPA BHUYAN (SATTRIYA DANCE) X 4, GUWAHATI — 29 JULY - 29 AUGUST, 1998 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES AT THE INVITATION OF THE INDIAN-FORUM UTAH (IFU),

SALT LAKE. THE PROPOSAL
WAS ORIGINALLY APPROVED
BY THE FORMER PRESIDENT,
ICCR. VISIT COULD NOT
TAKE PLACE EARLIER DUE
TO ILLNESS OF MS. BHUYAN

4. BANGLADESH SHRI RATAN THIYAM (THEATRE) 7-12 MARCH,1999 TO GIVE PERFORMANCES
X 30, IMPHAL DURING THE `INDIA TRADE
EXHIBITION` ORGANISED
BY ITPO IN ASSOCIATION
WITH HCI, DHAKA.